



St. Michael's Council 9246 NEWSLETTER



April 2018

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Pot Luck Dinner:** No Pot-Luck dinner for April or May. Knights' awards dinner will be on *Sunday, May 27th*, with tickets going on sale in May.
- **Pancake Breakfast:** Our next Pancake Breakfast will be held on *Sunday, Apr. 8*, after *8:30 and 10:00 Masses*. *Setup* will start on *Sunday at 7:00 am*. Please come and help out at our monthly fundraiser.
- **Clergy Appreciation Dinner:** *Monday, April 9* at St. Peter's Parish, New Westminster.
- **Regular Monthly Meeting:** Our next monthly meeting will be held on *Tuesday, Apr. 10th*, at *8:00 pm*, after Rosary for the Sick (*7:10*) and Mass (*7:30*).
- **Special Olympics Walk-a-Thon:** Join us on the walk or sponsor one of the walkers. This will be held on *Sunday, April 22nd*.
- **State Convention:** *May 4, 5, & 6* in Richmond.

CATCHING UP:

Grand Knight's Report:

Happy Easter to all. Hope everyone had a blessed and joyful Easter with family and friends. Thanks to Monsignor Rossi, Fr. Rey, Fr. Swinkels, and Monsignor Lopez-Gallo, for the beautiful services. Thanks also to the Fourth Degree Knights for ushering.

Congratulations to Brother Jacob Rossi who took his Knighthood (3rd) Degree on Saturday, Mar. 24, accompanied by Brother Moreno Rossi. I encourage all Knights to complete their degrees when possible.

We had a reasonable turnout of customers and helpers at the March Pancake Breakfast. Thanks to all who came out. Please help with the next breakfast, April 8.

Together with the Ladies Auxiliary, we sponsored a day of recollection on Saturday March 10th. Thanks to Sr. Gabriella Yi who gave an inspiring talk on the Beatitudes, and Monsignor Rossi who talked about joy, suffering, and reconciliation. Also, thanks to Brother Tarcisio who arranged and picked up luncheon items. There was a great turnout and the day was well received.

The Traveling Icon of the Holy Family was at our parish at the end of March. The Knights held a prayer service on Saturday, March 24, after the 9 am Mass and on Tuesday, March 27, after the 7:30 pm Mass. There were not very many Knights in attendance, but we had quite a few parishioners joining us. Thanks to Brother Pat Krump for leading this special prayer service.

The annual State Convention will be held on May 4, 5 & 6. This year I will attend with my wife Bernice. Also Rafael Sevilla, our Deputy Grand Knight will attend as the second delegate; unfortunately his wife is working and unable to attend. Last meeting we voted to pay for 2 council members to attend this annual function with their wives that are able to come.

The annual Clergy Appreciation dinner is coming up.

Date: April 9 (Monday) 2018

Place: St. Peter's Church Hall

330 Royal Ave, New Westminster

Time: Cocktails 6:00 p.m. Dinner 7:00 p.m.

Cost: \$30 per person

Several of our members have signed up to go, but now the event is full. Msgr. Rossi, Fr. Rey, and Fr. Swinkels will be attending.

If you have forgotten, please send your annual dues of \$40 to our financial secretary Alan Wardle, etransfer, paypal, cheque, or bring it to our April 10th meeting. We have to pay Supreme for every member of our council, so we rely on the membership dues to cover this cost. Thanks.

Pennies for Heaven campaign to raise funds for vocations will be collected at the April meeting. Please bring your loose change or other donation to the meeting, so we will have time to add it up and present a cheque at the State Convention.

Our annual Special Olympics Walk-a-thon will be April 22. Thanks to Brother Bruce for developing a new route around St. Michael's. Please take a form from me or Bruce, get some pledges, and join us in the walk. If you are not a walker, you can always support one of us by your donation. Again, a cheque will be presented at the State Convention for this worthy cause.

Don't forget the next pancake breakfast on Sunday April 8 and our next council meeting at 8:00 pm on Tuesday, April 10, after rosary (7:10 pm) and Mass (7:30 pm).

Vivat Jesus,
John Cabana, GK

Program Director's Report:

Worthy Brothers, I take this time to wish you and your families a Happy Easter.

Well it is back to work this Sunday with our Knights Pancake Breakfast. As I will be away, I hope that there will be plenty of help at this event. As members this is a great way to bond and get to know each other. We will start with set up at 7:00 AM and of course clean up at 12:00 PM. If you can come early, come, if later for serving after Mass at 11:00, do, as there are never too many helpers.

The news on our Pot Luck Dinners is there will not be any more this season. The reason is I will be away both dates that we would normally have had one. And the other reason is we are having our Knights Awards Dinner on May 27th, the last Sunday of May. This will be a catered dinner of Roast Beef and Baked Salmon for \$25, refreshments (wine) included. This is a great deal because there is no tax or tip needed, just \$25. Thanks to a motion passed at our last meeting that council covers the extra cost above actual meal price and tax. This is a very small tribute to our members for their volunteer time in the Knights and

to keep our dinner affordable. I hope that as many that can come out, do. As we take time to honor a few members for their work. Ticket sales will start in the first week in May.

The call is out! Get your saved loose change rolled up and bring it to church to pass it on to a brother attending the meeting April 10th, or better yet come to the meeting and hand it in yourself. It is always great to see membership involvement. We like to have all our funds raised collected in time for the Knights of Columbus Convention so our Grand Knight can make a presentation with other councils to Bishop Miller. This collection we call "Pennies For Heaven" to support vocations in the local dioceses.

Our Walk for Special Olympics is in progress, to the point that we are collecting pledges for our walk. If you have not pledged either John Cabana or myself and you want to make a donation, please let us know. We are willing to make the effort to collect. And if you want to make the walk with us you are welcome to join us. The walk date is Sunday, April 22. We will start our walk this year from St. Michael's parking lot at 1:30 PM. We are down in numbers that are intending to walk, so please come join. For more info send myself or John an email.

One last thing, the Parish Auction being held April 28th, I am looking for help to serve at the bar, especially if you have been certified to serve alcohol. If you can help please let me know.

Vivat Jesus

Bruce McLean

+++++++ **VOLUNTEERING – IF NOT ME THEN WHO?** ++++++



Birthdays in April:

Gilles Deschenes, Pat Krump, Dennis McKenzie, Arc Rajtar,
Jacob Rossi, Jai Singh, Alan Wardle, Nick Curalli, Rafael Sevilla

Calendar of Events:

Apr. 4th: Confirmation

Apr. 8th: Pancake Breakfast after 8:30 and 10 am Masses, set-up 7:00 am

Apr. 9th: Clergy Appreciation Dinner – St. Peter's

Apr. 10th: Knights regular monthly meeting

April: Pennies for Heaven (for vocations); turn in at the April meeting

Apr. 22nd: Special Olympics Walk-a-thon

Apr. 28th: St. Michael's Parish Auction / Knights bartending

Future Events:

May 4th, 5th, 6th – State Convention

May 6th - Pancake Breakfast / set up at 7:00 am.

May 27th – First Communion

May 27th – Knight's Catered Awards dinner, \$25 per person

+++Pray for PRIESTS, BROTHERS, and SISTERS ...They need us – we need them++++

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REMEMBER TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Please pray for the sick in our Parish:

Bill & Kay Blair; Al Boire; Eileen Cassidy; Andrew Garisto; Bonny Gerson; Lloyd Gerson; Mary Glavin; Leo Gaucher; Herman Haffner; Stan & Carol March; Tom, Pat, Jamie & Paul McCloskey; Edmond Kim; Kenneth Klikach; Peggy MacDonald; Marina Neves; Tony & Cathy Patrick; John & Cathleen Todd; Linda Viani; Pat Welsh; Anne Whittey; Gordon Zelko; Father John Swinkels; Fathers Basil Foote, David Hughes, Joseph Thoai Le, and Bill Somerville & Br. Tom

Maddix; Paula Whire and GK Robert Tan of St. Francis de Sales Council 8853

MARY, HEALTH OF THE SICK; PRAY FOR US